



# Press Release

## For Immediate Release

### **Three Square Food Bank Implements Emergency Food Distribution Strategy in Response to COVID-19**

*43 strategically chosen sites throughout the valley will serve as Emergency Food Distribution sites*

**LAS VEGAS, March 16, 2020** – In response to recent developments regarding COVID-19 (coronavirus), Three Square Food Bank– in partnership with Clark County School District and local agency partners – have put the following strategies in place to ensure food-insecure individuals throughout Southern Nevada still have access to food during these uncertain times:

#### **CCSD Food Sites**

CCSD will continue providing breakfast and lunch to students during school closures. Student food distribution pods will be set up at 15 schools located throughout the valley from 8-11 a.m. Monday through Friday. In order to comply with federal regulations, a school-age child must be present for food to be distributed.

For more information and a full list of CCSD meal sites, please visit <https://sites.google.com/nv.ccsd.net/covid-19updates/>

#### **Three Square Emergency Food Distribution Sites**

In an effort to serve as many people as possible, Three Square has collaborated with select agency partners and volunteers located in key regions throughout the valley who will be assisting with the distribution of food at 43 emergency food distribution sites.

The emergency food distribution sites – which have various dates of operation and distribution times – were chosen to maximize coverage and food distribution across Southern Nevada. The sites are located at: 21 CCSD school sites (in addition to the 15 sites CCSD confirmed that will serve breakfast and lunch); three Station Casinos properties, including Palace Station, Sunset Station and Boulder Station; 10 Just One Project LDS Church sites; and nine of Three Square’s local agency partners.

For a complete list of Three Square’s emergency food distribution sites and hours of operation, visit [threesquare.org/help](https://threesquare.org/help). This map will be updated in real-time, ensuring the most current information is available.

To focus its efforts entirely on emergency food distribution in response to COVID-19, Three Square has suspended normal food distribution to agency partners, with the exception of those included as part of the emergency food distribution model.

### **Help for Seniors**

Three Square remains committed to assisting seniors. Those 60 years of age and older who need food assistance are encouraged to call 702-765-4030 Monday-Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., where they will speak with a caring Advocate to determine which program, service or resource is best for them. Advocates can also assess seniors for SNAP and provide information on nearby pantries that are dedicated to seniors, or home delivery for those in need.

### **Coronavirus Emergency Food Fund**

The economic impact of COVID-19 is expected to increase the need for food assistance in Southern Nevada in the coming days and weeks. As a result, Three Square has created the Coronavirus Emergency Food Fund, which will allow the nonprofit to remain nimble in its daily response and quickly respond to those affected by quarantines, school closures and economic hardships. For more information about volunteer opportunities or donating to the Coronavirus Emergency Food Fund, visit [threesquare.org](http://threesquare.org) or call 702-644-3663.

For more information about Three Square's COVID-19 response and provided resources, call 702-644-3663 or visit [threesquare.org](http://threesquare.org).

### **About Three Square Food Bank**

Established in 2007 to provide hunger relief, Three Square Food Bank offers wholesome, nutritious food to nonprofit and faith-based organizations, schools and feeding sites that serve a wide range of Southern Nevadans. A national model project inspired by Founder Eric Hilton with a grant provided by the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Three Square is a community collaborative partnership with businesses, nonprofit agencies, food distributors, higher education institutions, the Clark County School District, governmental entities, the media and thousands of volunteers to efficiently and effectively work together to serve those in our community struggling with hunger. Three Square currently provides more than 41 million meals – the equivalent of more than 50 million pounds of food and grocery product – per year through a network of community partners. Three Square is a member of the Feeding America network of food banks. For additional information visit [threesquare.org](http://threesquare.org). For the latest news and events on Three Square, visit [Facebook](#) and follow them on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) (@threesquarelv).

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